GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Grants to Sports Federations
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides grants to sports federations in the country for giving training sportspersons to participate in the international events and if so, the details thereof;
(b) the details of the funds sanctioned, federation-wise during each of the last two years and the current year; and
(c) whether the Government monitors the functioning of sports federations to ensure proper utilization of funds, and if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the order steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)
(a)&(b) Madam, financial assistance is provided to the recognized National Sports Federations (NSFs) in various sports disciplines under the Scheme of 'Assistance to NSFs' for organizing coaching /training camps for national teams in India, training of athletes abroad etc. The details of funds provided to NSFs during the last 2 years and current year under the Scheme is given in the Annexure.
(c)&(d) To ensure utilization of Government funds by NSFs for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned, utilization certificates and audited accounts are obtained before release of further grants to NSFs. NSFs receiving grant of Rs.1.00 crore and above are subject to the audit by Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
In addition, Government of India has framed National Sports Development Code of India, 2011 to bring in transparency and accountability in the functioning of the various NSFs. The provisions of the Code inter-alia, includes guidelines for NSFs to follow proper democratic and healthy management practices, adhere to age and tenure limit of office bearers, take measures against age fraud and sexual harassment of women in sports, ensure dope test for all athletes as per norms, comply with the provisions of RTI Act, holding elections as per model election guidelines devised by the Ministry, etc.
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